The Bible of It.

Dropping Plato and Socrates, whose theories were mostly "Aerial figments of philosophic minds," (just as a prohibition is,) we go as E. S. directs, to the Bible, where a Democrat is always at home, and where he finds the plank in his platform against "sumptuary legislation." A Prohibitionist is badly off when he directs an "old politician" to go to the Bible. That good book is full of Murphyism, but E. S. could not find any St. Johnism in it with a search warrant. God says, "I set before you a blessing and a curse." "A blessing if ye obey and a curse if ye disobey." From this it will be seen that God has given man a free, self-determining will which cannot be forced by any power but that which is omnipotent; and that God himself never will force it, is declared in the most formal manner throughout the whole of the sacred writings. Argument and testimony are not force, but are the prin-ciples of moral sussion. It is the theory of God's law that everything in nature man uses is only injurious when misused Man is punished for his abuse, but the law of God nor man does not command the destruction of the things he abuses, The point we wish to call the attention of E. S. to is, that the prohibition he teaches is annihilation, and out of that theory comes the utter absurdity and impracticability of Prohibition. The divine law simply says, "Look not on wine when it is red," but because "old politicians" and fair-haired Prohibitionists (the latter on the sly) do that sometimes and get more than they can carry, it does not follow that the wine ought to be abolished. The thing to do is for the marshal to take them to the cool

The latter-day prohibitionists would find fault with the Creator's arrangements in the garden of Eden. God said: "Let the apples on that tree alone," the prohibitionist would have said; "Abolish the apples and kill the devil." Here was the first practical test of prohibition. The devil was the saloon-keeper, the apples the interdicted beverage and Adam and Eve the customers. The devil was the same old chestnut he is to-day, and he had an easy task in tempting the sinless pair to break the law of prohibition What did the law-giver do? Abolish the forbidden fruit, and destroy the devil's business? No, he simply drove the them out of Eden, and gave the woman's seed power to bruise the serpent's head, a species of the legislation which the G. O. P. would call the "eternal principle of regulation," a kind of a "Scott Law," as it were, to restrain Satan, and provide against the evils resulting from his wicked capers, which is about all the world

has ever been able to do. Nowhere in the Bible is the manufacture of strong drinks prohibited, nothing but their intemperate use. Noah appears to appears to have been the first manufacturer of intoxicating beverages and was the first man to get drunk. "And Noah began to be a husbandman, and he planted a vineyard and he drank of the wine Shall haunt, and sing, and hide her nest." and was drunken." Probably he did not understand the strength and intoxicating manufacture or use of it There was a in the Wellington schools. species of prohibition, or rather an injunc- 0, maple tree, tion, leveled at Aaron and his sons, applying, however, only to a certain time May the lightning spare this tree. and place, which said: "Do notdrink wine | From the grub may it ever be free; nor strong drink; thou, nor thy sons with thee, when ye go into the tabernacle of the congregation." At other times and against these priests of the Most High. The Nazarite was commanded to "separate himself from wine and strong drink, wisdom. and he shall drink no vinegar of wine, or vinegar of strong drink, neither shall he drink any liquor of grapes." The Nazarite being an emblem of man in his para- The gray haired man shall answer them: disical state, he was forbidden that tree and its fruits by which Adam fell. Here is the nearest approach to prohibition in Tis said they made some quaint old rhymes, the Bible, but there is in it none of the annihilation theory of the modern Problbitionist. In acknowledgement of the bounty and goodness of God, the law of Moses concerning offerings said; "Thou shalt not delay to offer the first of thy ripe fruits, and of thy liquors." In enumerating the gifts of God to man the psalmist ays: "He giveth wine that maketh glad ie heart of man." Christ made wine out f water to make merry at a wedding feast and Paul advised Timothy to drink wine for his stomach's sake. It is very evident hat the Bible is not a prohibition docunent, in the sense that E. S. teaches that loctrine; and in directing us to go to the lible and avoid blunders, he has stood dis own theory on its head. Some people re verdant enough to say that the wine f the Bible was not intoxicating; that is say, Noah and Lot were not drunk as March hares and the guesta at the wedding feast-were merry on colored water.
iy friend, you can find more argument an almanac in favor of the prohibition minifiation theory than in the Bible. The unnciation of the drunkard, and the aving about "red eyes" of those who tarlong at the wine, in the Bible, are levled at the abuse of wine, and cannot be ortured into a biblical boycott of its manfacture and temperate use.

"But would you abolish all criminal aws because they are imperfectly enforcd?" shricks E. S. Oh no, but there is no arallel between a liquor law and a law gainst murder and theft. Law should e founded on principle and common ense and enforced at all hazards. A law pon which men trample with impunity reeds contempt for all law. A dead law oes infinitely more mischief in a comunity than a live saloon. Tippling ouses, where cleanliness, decency, sobriwand chastity are outraged, should be Purely Tegetable; No Griptes Price Me. All Druggists.

declared nuisances and be abated; but the common sense of mankind rejects as an absurdity the proposition that it is a crime to do what the chosen people of God did in moderation, from Noah down to the Messiah; what the fathers of the Christian church did in moderation for eighteen hundred years; what the Catholic church, the churches of England, Scotland and Germany sanction to-day. This is why prohibition is impracticable, simply because the people don't want it and won't

In good faith we nominated our friend for Congress, to run on a fusion ticket, the high contracting parties being Democracy and Prohibition. We did it because we believed he would fly along the Congressional track at a Mand S. gait. Reluctantly we are compelled to withdraw the nomination and throw cold water on the boom. This is because he calls old pollticians liars, hypocrites and drunks, meditating assassination. We remember the experiment with Greeley, who called old politicians, horse thieves and got left.

DEMOCRAT.

Arbor Day at the Union Schools. Superintendent Kinnison resolved to

bey the wishes of Governor Foraker, as expressed in his recent proclamation concerning Arbor day, by planting a tree on the school ground Friday afternoon.

Promptly at three o'clock and fifteen

minutes the several schools marched out of their rooms and formed a square just north of the building.

The exercises opened with singing by the primary schools, which was finely rendered for such young pupils. The tree being on the ground in readiness, the graduating class of 1886, consisting of eleven ladies and eight gentlemen, raised it to an upright position; and each one participated in covering its roots with young friend," earth, the alternate ones repeating the selections given below, making the ceremony very impressive. When the planting was over the scholars returned to their rooms by a line of march westward to Main street, north to Dickson street, thence east to the cross-walk leading to the school building, by which they returned to their respective places. This parade was conducted successfully and closed the exercises. Following are the selections repeated by the members of the senior class:

We plant this tree to-day, not only to observe Arbor day, but also to leave a memento to the rest of the schools, that they remember the class of '86; and in after years as we behold it, that it may recall many remembrances of our happy schooldays.

When that Aprille, with its shoures soote, The droughte of March had pierced to the roote,

Then gan the senior lads and maides To plant this tree with their good spades,

"What plant we in this maple tree? Buds, which the breath of summer days Shall lengthen into leafy sprays; Boughs, where the thrush with crimson breas

May this tree live and grow and in fupower of wine, but after he found it out, we do not read that he prohibited the the class of '86, of the happy days spent to mik one of his "crack" cows.

May we ever love and care for the May the mighty small boy's knife Never destroy its precious life.

O. maple tree, may your substance in places there was no prohibition, even crease, and your shadow never grow less As this tree will grow in strength and beauty, may we grow in character and

"Who planted this old maple tree?" The children of some distant day Tflus to some aged man will say: And, gazing on its mossy stem.

"The class of '86," will say he. Back in the rude but good old times, While planting this maple tree."

Council Proceedings.

Council convened Monday evening at seven o'clock, Mayor Wean in the chair. The old council being present they proceeded to close up the business for the year that has just closed. The following bills were read and passed:

John Robinson, cleaning new council C. E. Satliff, moving office fixtures, Same, election expenses and postals,...... 7 84 Ed. Hackett, marshal.....

The old council then adjourned sine die. The new members, Messra Johns, Sheldon and Kirk then appeared and were sworp in. The Mayor then appointed the following committees:

Streets, Messrs. Hemenway, Kirk and Johns. Sidewalks, D. P. Sheldon, J. Sheldon, Hemenway. Ordinances, D. P. Sheldon, Johns and Lang. Public grounds, Johns, Kirk and Jas. Sheldon. - Public buildings, Jus. Sheldon, Lang and Hemenway. Fire Department, Hemenway, Lang and D. P. Sheldon. Finance, Lang, Kirk and Johns.

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Speaking of the immortal Sara, the Paris Gaulois says: "Bernhardt is struggling hard to pay her debts, and works when other artists rest, but she has a son who costs her immense sums, is educating her sister's daughter, and supports a cousin who has eight children and no fertune, making it quite certain that she will dis in the harness. As is usually the ease with women of Bernhardt's elastic morality, they are apt to have good hearts. Rachel was another illustrious example,

Detroit Free Press: "Edwin Booth visited Lawrence Barrett at Cohasset. It is supposed that their greeting was in this wise: Barrett—Welcome to Elsinor, Lord Hamlet! Booth—Most noble Cassius, by 'r lady, right giad am I to greet the. What they really did say was: 'Hello, Ned, my bey, how are you?' 'Bully, Larry, how goes it?'"

John T. Raynold thinks technical knowledge of the stage is not necessary to write plays. With a good story and dramatic ability the play will be all right. The fitting it to the stage afterward is of minor importance. He thinks that it is only a question of time when plays written in this country will be equal to those of any other land.

"The Romance of a Bald-headed Young Man" is the newest farcical success of the French stage. Romances of bald-headed old men are no doubt as common in France as in this country.

Advice to Boys.

Dr. Lyman Abbott: "Whatsoever thy hand finds to do, do it with thy might." E. P. Roe: "Do one thing honorably and theroughy and set about her once." Ex-President Haves: memory and recite Brown's letter to a

General Lyon: "No one will ever become a great scholar without constant study, close application, and without thoroughly understanding that which he may attempt before passing it by to take up something else."

General Winfield S. Hancock, among other things: "Be truthful, never try to appear what you are not, honor your father and your mother." Rev. E. E. Hale: "Tell the truth. Keep the Commandments. Do not drink. If you have anything to say, say it, but if

not, certainly not," General D. S. Stanley: "That next to exact regularity in their hours for prayer and plous reading, they allow nothing to interfere with their hours of study."-Academy News.

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